

## Preface

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The 10th Conference on Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis (CCTA 10) of Polish Society of Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis (PTKAT) joint with 2nd Czech–Hungarian–Polish–Slovakian Thermoanalytical Conference was held from 30 August to 3 September 2009 in Zakopane. Minister of Science and Higher Education Professor Barbara Kudrycka and Marshal of Zachodniopomorskie Voivodeship Władysław Husejko were honorary patrons of Conference.

Faculty of Chemical Technology and Engineering West Pomeranian University of Technology (Szczecin) in collaboration with Polish Society of Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis, Warsaw University of Technology, Institute of Chemistry (Plock) and Scientific Society Stanisław Staszic (Cracow) organized the conference. Zakopane, the capital of the Polish mountains, was the beautiful surrounding for scientific discussions, exchange of ideas and making new friends among 150 participants from: Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia and other countries. The participants presented 8 plenary lectures, 15 section lectures, 23 oral communications and 90 posters in the following sections: Inorganic Materials and Chemistry, Organic Materials, Pharmaceuticals and Polymers, Kinetics and Reactivity of Solids, Biochemistry and Biocalorimetry, Solution Calorimetry, Environmental Protection and Theory and Instrumentation.

The conference was accompanied by an exhibition of commercially available instrumentations produced by

RADWAG, NETZSCH, METLER-TOLEDO and CZYŁOK.

Prof. H. Piekarski and Prof. A. Małecki, the great scientists in the field of thermodynamics, calorimetry and thermal analysis were honored by Świątosławski' medal. Dr M. Worzakowska was honored by the prize of the Polish Society of Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis for young scientists.

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This special issue brings a selection of papers presented at the 10th Conference on Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis (CCTA 10) of Polish Society of Calorimetry and Thermal Analysis and 2nd Czech–Hungarian–Polish–Slovakian Thermoanalytical Conference. All papers were reviewed by two independent Referees according to the requirements of the Journal of Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry to regular papers. We thank all Authors for submitting the manuscripts. We appreciate very much the Referees great work and effort in the review process.

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